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EXAMINATION GROUP 1615**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

Applicant : Gopi M. Venkatesh et al.
Serial No. : 10/713,929
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Title : MODIFIED RELEASE DOSAGE FORMS OF SKELETAL MUSCLE
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AMENDMENT

This paper is filed in response to the Final Office action dated July 10, 2006 and is accompanied by a request for a one-month extension of time and the applicable fee.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.